

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON LONG-RANGE PLANNING

Call to Order: Chair Mike Cuffe, on January 17, 2017 at 8:30 AM, in Room 317B Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mike Cuffe, Chair (R)
Sen. Cary Smith, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)
Sen. Jon C. Sesso (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Welborn

Members Absent: NONE

Staff Present: Crystal Bridges, Committee Secretary
Catherine Duncan, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

HB 14, 1/17/2017

HEARING ON HB 14

Committee Business:

00:01:27 Cathy Duncan, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

[**EXHIBIT\(jlh12a01\)**](#)

Program Overview / Introduction:

00:02:54 Jennifer Olson, Department of Commerce (COM)

00:06:54 Chair. Cuffe

Project Hearings:

00:06:59 Jennifer Olson, COM

Proponents- TSEP Only:

00:07:42 Ross Bonehower, Beaverhead County Jackson (WSD)

00:11:18 Sen. C Smith

[**EXHIBIT\(jlh12a02\)**](#)

0:12:10 Shannon Holmes, Livingston

00:13:00 Scott Buecker, Livingston

00:16:58 Greg Lukasik, Flaxville

00:18:00 Sen. Sesso

00:20:03 Jennifer Olson, COM

00:20:58 Cathy Duncan, LFD

00:21:19 Jennifer Olson, COM

00:23:03 Sen. Sesso

00:23:43 Jennifer Olson, COM

00:24:48 Sen. Sesso

00:25:07 Jennifer Olson, COM

00:25:20 Lindsey Bolbee, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)

00:26:03 Sen. Sesso

00:26:47 Cathy Duncan, LFD

00:27:26 Sen. Sesso

Project Hearing TSEP and RRGL:

00:27:46 Jennifer Olson, COM

Proponents TSEP RRGL:

00:27:53 Jennifer Olson, COM

[**EXHIBIT\(jlh12a03\)**](#)

00:29:41 Mayor Joel Barber, Denton

00:30:50 Branya Willmore, Denton

00:31:36 Ron Ellis, City Manager of Helena

00:33:46 Greg Wirth, Helena

[**EXHIBIT\(jlh12a04\)**](#)

00:35:17 Bruce Lowerman, Self

00:36:10 Mike Reynolds, Absarokee

00:38:01 Roger Nermerdor, Absarokee

[**EXHIBIT\(jlh12a05\)**](#)

00:39:20 Matt Selving, Medicine Lake

00:40:55 Gale Strandlund, Froid

EXHIBIT(jlh12a06)

00:42:51 Joel Pilcher, Great West Engineering

EXHIBIT(jlh12a07)

00:44:30 Jennifer Olson, COM

00:45:22 Chair Cuffe

EXHIBIT(jlh12a08)

00:45:56 Mike Wallewein, Nine Mile Creek Water District

00:47:29 Lisa Kerns, Nine Mile Creek Water District

00:49:15 Jennifer Olson, COM

00:50:37 Mayor Mike Evans, Townsend

00:55:11 Jennifer Olson, COM

00:55:40 Greg Lekasik, Morrison-Maierle Inc

EXHIBIT(jlh12a09)

00:57:33 Michael O'Brien, Manhattan

EXHIBIT(jlh12a10)

01:01:03 Chair Cuffe

01:01:20 Recess

01:18:20 Reconvene

01:18:25 Chair Cuffe

01:18:49 Councilman Kent Ridgeway, Stanford

01:22:00 Chair Cuffe

01:22:06 Mayor Randy Woods, Hot Springs

01:25:04 Sen. Sesso

01:25:25 Mayor Randy Woods, Hot Springs

01:25:43 Chair Cuffe

01:26:11 Mayor Bob Stump, Sheridan

01:29:29 Mike O'Brien, Simms County Sewer District

01:32:25 Greg Lukasik, Morrison- Maierle Inc

EXHIBIT(jlh12a11)

01:33:58 Mike Ariztia, Lockwood Water and Sewer District

01:37:16 Ian Reed, Harlowton

01:39:29 Craig Pozega, Cascade

01:41:28 Jody Campbell, Cascade

01:42:08 Jennifer Olson, COM

01:43:26 Sen. Sesso

01:44:20 Jennifer Olson, COM

01:45:23 Sen. Sesso

01:45:36 Jennifer Olson, COM

01:45:40 Cathy Duncan, LFD

01:46:20 Sen. Sesso

01:47:16 Chair Cuffe

01:47:20 Cathy Duncan, LFD

01:47:45 Sen. Sesso

01:48:07 Jennifer Olson, COM

01:49:37 Lanny Christman, Dutton

01:53:45 Joe Murphy, Winifred

EXHIBIT(jlh12a12)

01:58:48 Chair Cuffe
01:59:00 Joe Murphy, Winifred
01:59:52 Scott Anderson, Whitefish
02:02:50 Jennifer Olson, Thompson Falls
02:04:25 Sen. Sesso
02:04:37 Jennifer Olson, COM
02:04:50 Sen. Sesso
02:05:30 Richard Knatterud, Department of Commerce (COM)
02:06:56 Jennifer Olson, COM
02:07:44 Michelle Turville, Bearpaw Development Corporation
02:08:33 Jennifer Olson, COM
02:09:28 Mike O'Brian, Bearpaw Development Corporation
02:11:02 Michelle Turville, Bearpaw Development Corporation
02:11:40 Jennifer Olson, COM
02:13:43 Greg Lukasik, Morrison- Maierle Inc
02:14:07 Jennifer Olson, COM
02:16:18 Michelle Turville, Bearpaw Development Corporation
02:18:01 Chair Cuffe
02:18:27 Jennifer Olson, COM
02:20:54 Chair Cuffe
02:21:03 Jennifer Olson, COM

Questions for the Committee Members and Responses

02:22:29 Sen. Sesso
02:23:55 Jennifer Olson, COM
02:25:06 Sen. Sesso
02:25:53 Jennifer Olson, COM
02:25:55 Sen. Sesso
02:26:31 Jennifer Olson, COM
02:27:22 Sen. Sesso
02:27:36 Alice Stanley, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)
02:29:00 Sen. Sesso
02:29:13 Alice Stanley, DNRC
02:29:44 Sen. Sesso
02:30:11 Alice Stanley, DNRC
02:30:47 Chair Cuffe
02:31:00 Alice Stanley, DNRC
02:31:34 Chair Cuffe
02:31:37 Rep. Hopkins
02:32:31 Jennifer Olson, COM
02:33:20 Rep. Peppers
02:33:42 Jennifer Olson, COM
02:34:23 Rep. Peppers
02:34:51 Jennifer Olson, COM
02:35:35 Chair Cuffe
02:36:02 Jennifer Olson, COM
02:37:31 Chair Cuffe
02:38:34 Jennifer Olson, COM
02:38:51 Richard Knatterud, COM
02:40:43 Chair Cuffe
02:40:57 Sen. Sesso

Public Comment:

02:41:10 Gary Amestoy, Dry Red Water Regional Water Authority
02:48:20 Chair. Cuffe
02:48:44 Gary Amestoy, Dry Red Water Regional Water Authority
02:48:49 Sen. Sesso
02:49:30 Gary Amestoy, Dry Red Water Regional Water Authority
02:50:02 Sen. Sesso
02:50:39 Christine Hultin- Brus, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)
02:50:46 Chair Cuffe
02:51:05 Cathy Duncan, LFD

EXHIBIT(jlh12a13)

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 02:52:29

Crystal Bridges, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jlh12aad.pdf](#))